FISCAL NOTE

SB 2685 - HB 2974

February 13, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Specifies that the immunity from suit for governmental entities includes an injury arising out of assault and battery or any other intentional tort committed by a government employee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures - Less than \$100,000

Estimate assumes local governments could experience a decrease in expenditures for legal costs and claims payments associated with intentional torts committed by their employees and a possible reduction in insurance premiums. The impact depends on the number of instances of such actions but is estimated to be less than \$100,000 as past court rulings have protected local governments from suit for some intentional torts.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director